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1. The KPOe has recently started a propaganda campaign in clerical circles. This has culminated in the formation of the Gemeinschaft christlicher Demokraten (Union of Christian Democrats), the directors of which are the following:
  - a. Eva Baumgartner, Vienna I, Schellinggasse, secretary of the Evangelical High Consistory
  - b. Prof. Jelenko
  - c. Pastor Kock
  - d. Prof. Josef Dobretsberger
2. On 13 March 1951 the first circular\* issued by the organization was mailed to 60 to 80 persons in Vienna, with an invitation to attend a discussion meeting on 17 March 1951. The articles in the circular were pro-Soviet in orientation; one was written by Prof. Dobretsberger.

\* Comment: A transcript of the circular is available to customer agencies upon request.

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